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RELIGIOUS OPINIONS.

re he any virtue, and if there be any praise

(miy a drop in the bucket, ibstevery drop will tell; The bucket would soon be empty Without the drops in the well,

inly some outgrown garments— They were all I had to spare; But they'll help to clothe the needy And the poor are everywhere,

A word now and then of comfort, That costs me nothing to say; Rut the poor old man illed happy. And it helped him on the way.

And I wear

cost leveth a cheerful giver,
Though the gift be poor and small;
what doth He think of His children
when they never give at all ?

—The Catholic.

Church unity is one of the most important questions of our time. It is, to mind, the end and aim in the revi-n of liturgy and confessions, of ca-us and constitutional rules. I exstions of the House of Bishops as soon after their publication as practicable. maintained that position sing carnestness and deter-At the same time it is pecesav rightly take a different view the fourth term of the House of Bish from that which is natural to Episready to accept the Historic percept approach it from the ant of view of Presbytery. They e willing to add the Episcopate to Presbytery; but they think that Pres-ortery is of such historic importance at they are not willing to abandon it n for the Historic Episcopate. The Historic Episcopate represents the ex-

ery. But Presbytery represents the egislative function. If the Episcopal hurches are rich in one function, the resbyterian churches are rich in the er. Why not combine the two, and the reunited church enter into the eritance of both? It is as natural v at heart to look for federation as han to look for the solution in the at the two movements are not inconent, but may go on in harmony, orking to the same end. Certain plans of federation have been

reposed that do not, in my judgment, end to church unity. The rederation I ministers of various denominations our cities for comprehensive evangelization may be a good thing. But whether good or bad-and there are

in the interest of Church unity, is not a ment available. federation of ministers in a city. State In general, it may be said that every or nation; but the federation of denominations in a general council composed of official representives of the denominations. The Angican churches still fewer can enter the foreign field to throughout the world have been represented several times in a general conference. The last of these was the some of the considerations that must be the federation of the semantary is to his reward. Many a church in our prepared for a pastorate; a less number land to-day is standing absolutely still, and has made no progress for years, simply because there is a mule somewhere in the team; perhaps he is in the pulpit, perhaps in the pews.

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semblies and councils, it is inevitable that these churches should look for church unity through the principle of A foreign missionary should always

Episcopate and oppose Federation in its interest. The pathway to success is in a combination of the two movements. The genius of the Episcopate hem to the Historic Episcopate and makes them careless of or suspicious of, Federation and its principle of representation. The genius of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches urges them to Federation to the neglect of the Historic Episcopate. Let us try to last to the foreign missionary. Until How about the lack of the home missionary or the pastor religious teachings in the schools. If Episcopalians will accept Federation it will greatly advance the cause of

Church Unity.

I can readily see the objections that spring into the mind of an Episcopalian when Federation is presented to him. I simply say to him what I say to my Presbyterian friends in defending the Historic Episcopate. There are many forms of Federation, there are many theories about it. All that we propose is the institution itself, and we are will is the institution itself, and we are willing to adapt it so as to remove all rea-

onable objections.

If we could have a General Council of the Christian Churches of America, on the basis of the four propositions of the House of Bishops, with any reason able additions of modifications that might be proposed, Church Unity, would, in my opinion, essentially be

I have no anxiety about the Historic Episcopate. The difficulties felt in most minds are due to misrepresenta tions and misunderstandings, owing toold controversies and discussions. S soon as it becomes clear to the average Presbyterin mind that the Historic Episcopate, in the fourth proposition of bishops, is not involved with any theory of its origin or of its meaning, and that it may be so adapted as not to be in consistent with Presbytery, and that the delicate questions of Presbyterial ordination and ministerial recognition are waived, and are not in some mysterious way buried in the term, ready to spring out at us as soon as serious negotiation begin; so soon as the fogs and clouds dispute look for the solution in the coric Episcopate. I wish to show the two movements are not incorp. Historic Episcopate will receive the ordial and general acceptance of the Christian ministers and people of our land. Let us be frank and sincere self-sacrificing and loving; and then unity and harmony are as sure as the sun rising.—Prof. Charles A. Briggs D. D., in the Churchman.

lifferent opinions about it—this would life the time when many in the theobe only a temporary and provisional logical seminaries of the country are
union for a specific purpose. It might earnestly considering the question as to It is the time when many in the theo arnestly considering the question as to arrestly advance they shall undertake. Three lines are the day will come when God will this amount. The day will come when God will this amount and this are judged amiss.—Bernard.

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gregational Courches are soon to meet ing to understand and be understood in General Conference. The Methodist churches have already met. It is prob
such as only a well person can hope to or so, therefore I ought, is A young man in Union The Churches have already met. It is probable that the Lutherans will soon make a similar movement. Why may not these General Conferences select representations of the selection of the such as only a well person can hope to or so, therefore I ought," is a science. These impended to do thus such as only a well person can hope to or so, therefore I ought," is a common syllogism. We often mistake obstinacy, in ourselves, for moral courage, proper firmness, desentatives to meet in a more general very strong that endure the longest, or cosion of character, or some other com-

propositions of the Lambeth Con-brence; or, if accepting them, clearly and forcibly, especially in a they should make them some ad-forcing language, the ability to express ideas and imagine ourselves to be miniature forcing language, is a matter of idiom Martin Luthers, determined to enter ditional proposals: if the Presbyte-rian (leneral Conference should propose and facility of idiom comes ranely, if to accept the Historic Episcopate, provided that a Pre-byterial organization the study of language. A few missionof the Church should also be adopted aries, indeed, whose linguistic attainMaster. Very frequently we should

there be to a general conference representing all these general conferences, or superintend native assistants. In men who dare to say "No" clearly and senting all these general conferences, or superintend native assistants. In men who dare to say "No" clearly and that should bring all these questions to the wide scope of foreign work, a place earnestly. She needs men like Joshua a final issue? No one proposes that the might be found for an uppractical man, and Daniel and Paul, who can with Aughean Church should absorb all the but such places are rare. The word stand temptation, and even the false others. A reunion is proposed of or "cannot," as applied to anything that themselves must be done, ought to have no exist- beware, lest with the backbone we de

Consolidation of these organizations.

Representatives of the several denominations meeting in such a general conference would not compromise Missions, to put every man where he conference would not compromise Missions, to put every man where he themselves as to any matter of dispute can do what he can do best. But somebetween them. The Alliance of Re-times that is impossible. Any one of a into view the kinship of Christ, and formed Churches, holding the Presby-score of exigencies may arise at any keepsthe millennial ages before the mind terian system has already overcome moment, which will throw upon him of Christendom. All things converge this difficulty. In the General Coundities for which, in his own taste and towards the final and not remote viccils of this Alliance are representatives | judgment, he is least fitted. He must | tory of the Son of God. Through work |

never been defined. There is no power the foreign field. The great importance come indolent and self-seeking the milof doctrinal definition, ecclesiastical dead far-reaching results of decisions lennial splendors have faded from its

the perplexites that attend their action school, but, whether it is found there can help feeling that the wonder is or not, let us have it is our homes, not not, that so many but so few, mistakes closed upon the shelf, but open and are made—Rev. Edwin M. Bliss, in the read daily by the assembled household.

THE RELIGIOUS MULE.

what depths of feeling and other experience this text expresses! The mule is the incarnation of obstinacy. Standing with his forefeet wide apart and firmly planted on the ground, his long ears laid back close to his neck, his of a policy which dismissed one ministough hide and long, awkward head, to a highest of firmness. You doubt

ward form, is an obstructionist. He is So, then, because thou art lukewarm, tenacious of his own opinions. He will and neither cold nor hot. I will spew thee have his own way, or he will stand out of my mouth. "The Caristian still, and make everything and everybody else stand still with him, if poss ble. Lucky enough if he does not let fly with his heels, and pulverize all ob jects within reach.

Obstinate? An obstructionist? Oh.

towards Church Unity itself. It would be unwise for the friends of church unity to throw any obstacles in the way of such movements in the or city.

This question of consecration ought throw the way of such movements in the interest of the communion of Christian and their co-operasion in Christian work. But it is necessary that all such movements shall be carefully distinguished from the direct movement toward Church unity.

The federation of churches, towards which many Presbyterians are looking in the interest of Church unity, is not a given to substantiate the pastor of a church in village, town and then, when he comes to a stand-still, the rest must halt with him till he is ready to move on, or is taken to his reward. Many a church in our

est points in favor of Professor Darwin and theory, that there seems to be in almost every member of the human family throughout the world have had several service.

Meetings in General Conference. The last meeting was in London: the next meeting will be in Toronto. The Contion to new habits of life, of endeavor-persuade ourselves than any point which is a matter of control of the human family some remaining trace of the ancestral mule. Nothing is more easy than to the tion to new habits of life, of endeavor-persuade ourselves than any point which is a matter of control of the human family some remaining trace of the ancestral mule. Nothing is more easy than to the following the properties of the human family some remaining trace of the ancestral mule. Nothing is more easy than to make the properties of the human family some remaining trace of the ancestral mule. Nothing is more easy than to make the properties of the human family some remaining trace of the ancestral mule. Nothing is more easy than to meeting will be in Toronto. The Control of the human family some remaining trace of the ancestral mule. Nothing is more easy than to meeting will be in Toronto.

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Conferences should accept the four Next to health comes the taste for related to virtues. When unwelcome

The foreign missionary work brings cils of this Alliance are representatives judgment, he is least fitted. He must of a large number of independent national churches, dissenting churches, and churches with different creeds and different forms of government and worship. They meet on the common platform of the Consensus of the Reformed churches. This Consensus has formed churches. This Consensus has a large to the platform of the Consensus has been defined as the person of Christ were is no position that so develops a man's individuality, provided he has any, as individuality provided he has any and the present means t of decrinal denotion, ecclesiastical decision or discipline in the council; and yet it gives expression to the unity of the Reformed Churches. According to Presbyterians views such a federation of churches is Church Unity. The practicals results of this council thus far have been the consolidation of missions through the union of missionaries results of the processary, also, a certain There is necessary, also, a certain former ages have been of darkness and

showing itself in deeper devotion, more earnest work and more thorough separation from the world. Between these two there are many others. Which church unity through the principle of Federation.

A foreign missionary should always be an optimist, never a pessimist. Hope. It is within the range of probabilities that such American Federation of delated that such American Federation of delated the best success. Ability to see the bright side, even if the bright side, even if the bright may be a rule, it may be agreed that boisterous.

A foreign missionary should always two there are many others. Which is precisely the right one? Probabilities that a would be hard to tell, for genuine work varies as conditions and circumstances are different; but as brid in a book; he hath not at paper as tree. will take place in a few years. The peril of the situation at present is lest any of the great historic churches should be left out of this Federation. Through not understanding it, or from misaprehensions respecting it.

There are doubtless some who will aim at Federation to the exclusion of the Historic Episcopate. There are others who will aim at the Historic Episcopate and oppose Federation in its interest. The pathway to success is in the brightness be but the faintest glimbard and circumstances are different; but as a rule, it may be agreed that boisterous brid at a book; he halt not depaper as it were half not also possible in the duller parts. The beath not depaper as it were half not also possible in the duller parts. The bridge is not replem properly liable to suspicion. Even it be granted that they are signs of real upon the spirits of a hostile govern-since and circumstances are different; but as a rule, it may be agreed that boisterous bridge half not depaper as it were heath not depaper as it were heat

them to Federation to the neglect of the Historic Episcopate. Let us try to look at matters on both sides, and so advance to the common goal of Church Unity with the disposition of giving and receiving. Episcopacy and Presbytery, to my mind, are not incompatible but complementary; and so Federation in a higher Presbytery will not at all interfere with the Historic Episcopate. Let us try to doubtedly they are. The fact is that almost any man who will be successful at home may be so abroad. Why, then, are so many applicants rejected? Why does not every church accept the first candidate that offers? There are many in a higher Presbytery will not at all interfere with the Historic Episcopate. If Episcopalians will accept Federation cepting them, who feel very much but at home may be so abroad. Why, then are so many applicants rejected? Why does not every church accept the first candidate that offers? There are many men who would never think of criticising the action of a church in not accepting them, who feel very much hurt when told that, in the judgment of a committee, the foreign field is not best suited to them. Yet the boards are obliged to be far more particular than any church, are compelled to consider certain things which a church can well afford to overlook. Undoubtedly they make mistakes, but no one who knows the perplexities that attend their action.

What depths of feeling and bitter ex-fails to reach across the chasm. A race

-The Living Church.

the same character; but there is a diversity of outward forms. Some are horizontal, others are perpendicular. Some walk on four feet, and some on two. Usually, however, they do not walk at all, but stand very still.

Not a few of these animals are found browsing on the tender grass within the enclosure of the Christian church. They are easily discovered. In fact, there is no need to discover them, for they soon make their presence full. The mule, whatever may be his outward form, is an obstructionist. He is

NOTES AND COMMENT.

I wonder many times that ever a

characters on every trial he is called to bear.—Dr. Raffles.

When means hold out, it is easy to be content. Who cannot pray for his daily bread when he bath it in his cupboard? But when our own provision fails us, then not to distrust the proon of God is a noble trial of faith -

The Methodist Episcopal Sundaychools in India number 880, with 42,-599 scholars.

A young man in Union Theological

500 a year for a substitute. One of the missionaries of the China

worth \$1,000,000, is living in China very economically, using all of his big

offers up its low, perpetual hymn?

—H. W. Sewall,

As pretty Miss Mollie Soutball, just 'sweet sixteen," was leaving her home on lower Reynolds street, one night Christian churches. Organic unity, or Church unity, can only result from the consolidation of these organizations.

Christian churches. Organic unity, or Church unity, can only result from the consolidation of these organizations.

Co-ordinate with "cannot" is "will George H. Hubbard in Sunday-school and locked up, and her father telegraphs. and locked up, and her father telegraphed to come home. Not a great distance off in a brilliantly lighted parlor, stood awaiting her coming Rev Dr. Hallman, of the English Lutberan church, Mr. Charlie Blount, with a plain gold band in his pocket, and a plain gold band in his pocket, and a plain gold band in his pocket, and a number of friends. It was to have been a secret marriage, but the party been a secret marriage, but the pride elect was deried departure from home. Young Blount is an engineer on the Augusta, Gibson and Sandersville railroad, and had already fitted up a home for his bride. Relatives of his opposed to the marriage gave information which led to the capture of the bridge for his bride. Relatives of his opposed to the marriage gave information which led to the capture of the bridge leaves to the marriage gave information which led to the capture of the bridge leaves the spiritual of the Parlor of the Capture of the bridge of the value of the bridge of the problems, no keen guesses to the question of the value of the bridge of the value of the value of the bridge of the value of t for the present she cannot go to.

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THE BOY'S VISION.

(A Storry Night.) always be accepted as a religious condition that is born of the Spirit.—Selected.

If heaven's bright halls are very far from set I dread a pang the angels could not 'sunge'. The imprisoned sea-bird knows, and only he is to dream, now dark, may be the proudes cage: Outside the bars he sees a prison still:-The selfsame wood or meadow or

From this dear harp, her heart, whose chord are love!

Vanish'd!— Oh God; a blazing world of sea— A blistered deck—an engine's grinding jar— Hot scents of scorching oll and paint an And, in the offing up yon flery lee.

And, in the offing up yon flery lee.
One spot in the air no bigger than a bee—
A frigate bird sailing alone afar.
—The Athenaum. Theodore Watts,

IS LITERATURE LUCRATIVE. A comparison between the profits of

tough hide and long, awkward head.

ae is a picture of firmness. You doubtless imagine that David was thinking of one of those balky brutes on his father's farm when he wrote the text. Far more likely he was thinking of Joab, in comparison with whom the most obstinate of those early acquaintances was pliability itself.

There are mules and mules. All have the same character; but there is a diversity of outward forms. Some are horizontal adversable and retained another dathorism England and authors in the fauthorism England and authors in the fauthorism the calculation of the Lord Chamberlain, who, when sent to examine the cellars of the House of Commons, returned with the report that 'he found five-and twenty barrels of gunpowder; that he had removed ten of them, and that he hoped the rest would do no harm!'

The man who thinks to serve God and mammon, and who divides his time

A comparison between the profits of authors in England and authors in the funded States shows a striking difference. When I remember how enormous were the gains of Sir Walter. Scott, how brilliant were the profits of authors in England and authors in the funded States shows a striking difference. When I remember how enormous were the gains of Sir Walter. Scott, how brilliant were the profits of authors in England and authors in the funded States shows a striking difference. When I remember how enormous were the gains of Sir Walter. Scott, how brilliant were the profits of authors in England and authors in the farm whom he deemed equally objectionable by comparing it with the action of the Commons. The man who thinks to serve God and the same character; but there is a diversity of outward forms. Some are horizontal when the cellars of the House of Charles Dickens; when I recall that the found five-and twenty barrels of gunpowder; that he had removed ten of them, and that he hoped the rest would do no harm!'

The man who thinks to serve God and man authors in the fauthors in the found of the same of the House of Charles Dickens; when I rec mola," and made seventy-five thousand dollars out of "Middlemarch," that within three months after the publica-tion of the fourth volume of Macaulay's "History" the Longmans sent him a hundred thousand dollars, I wonder in what fairy-land these things could have occurred. I do not know what Tennyson's arrangements are with his pres ent publishers, but at one time he received fixed the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars a year for his copy-rights, whether he published anything new or not. It would be interesting to compare these figures with Longfel-low's yearly receipts. Troilope frankly tells us just what he received for his novels, which in many instances was novels, which in many instances was not less than fifteen thousand dollars child of God should have a sad heart, considering what the Lord is preparing for him.—S. Rutherford.

not less than litteen thousand donars down. Mr. Roe was the most successfull of recent American novelists, and yet it is doubtful if any of his much-

would not be Chuech unity, it would not be Chuech unity, it would not be a single step in that direction. Some fear that it roight hinder the Chuech unity by earling attention to a phant the makes every the content of the same of of the world of letters. If we place by their side the only three American periodicals with which comparison can be made, the Nation, the Critic, the Literary World, the difference is rather astonishing. In a copy of the Athen-coum now before me I count thirty-six

columns of book announcements and advertisements; in the Nation, of the same date, about seven columns, the columns being of equal length. In another number of the Altheraum I The late Mr. Henry James Campbell left \$1,000,000 to Belfast College for the columns in the Nation of the corres pouding issue. The other American literary journals exhibit a similar disoften Seminary, New York, said he could not proportion in comparison with English es, for go to the foreign field, but would pay journals. How are we to account for go to the foreign field, but would pay

France a set of young poets, who undertook to found a new school of poetry, of which the foundations should eeventh century, is, as reported, to be self. The young fellows made such a offered for public sale soon in London. noise about their theory of poetry that and the two systems brought into harmony; and if the Congregational General Conference should propose to accept the Historic Episcopate, provided

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small salary, by which he kept together and sinners on the one side, and scribes the household thrown upon him by his and pnarisees on the other. on lower Reynolds street, one night last week, she was seized by her mother ing, purctual to distasteful duties, he and locked up, and her father telegraphed to come home. Not a great distance off in a brilliant library of in a brilliant library of in a brilliant library of the same of the bright library of the same of the bright library of the same of the bright library of the bright library of the same of the bright library of the bright li

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A short time ago E. W. Perry, acting in the interest of Western and Southern acres of land in Honduras, near the coast. The sale was made on the condition that the land should be improved and used for the rearing of stock. The land consists of savannas, and is said to be admirably adapted for the purpose intended. The interested parties are stock this ers. and their efforts in Honduras will be largely directed to the diagram while be largely directed to the largely directed to the maintended. When the largely directed to the lar presenting all the varieties of Presbyterianism in National Churches in sevterianism in Nati

get some at least of the new books. get some at least of the new books. But this would concern only a very select circle. The great mass of the public is made aware of the issue of new books mainly by the notices in the

In the older day the reviews of the Evening Post, for which Mr. Bryant was held responsible, of the papers with which Robert Walsh was connected, and of the Tribune when Margaret Fuller and George Ripley were the critics, were all important and authoritative. In later days the critical bench of many other papers than the two named is of great weight. But in the enormous multitude of money. two named is of great weight. But in the enormous multitude of papers there is every kind and degree of fitness for the duty of reviewing books. Whatever the qualification, however, the power of this bench is unquestionable. If the paper which is the literary director of its readers declares that our correspondent's work is well-meaning twaddle or tedious superfluity, that his subject is worthless, and the strong Garay to Shilo was three miles, and the smoke from the boly altar and that of the incense offer ed to the image of Micah used to intermingle. The reupon the *ministering mingle. The reupon twaddle or tedious superfluity, that his subject is worthless, and his attempt at authorship a failure, which he will do well to heed, the number of readers who will read the book to ascertain whether the judgment is justified will not be many. For that circuit the case is closed; the opinion of another judge that the book is one of the glories of

the age will not avail.

The consolation of the author must be ound in the knowledge that there is an invisble higher tribunal-a court of appeals-which passes upon all the lower judgments, and awards the final decisjudgments, and awards the final decision. The beatification of a book is its becoming a part of permanent literature. But to this result no critic's approval is the title, nor can his comdemnation prevent it. There are reputations that glitter in the past—bright moths of an hour — authors whom everybody praised, but whom nobody now reads. whose names are vanishing or are utter-ly gone. What songs the world will heed and hum through the long lapse of coming time no critic sense can fore-tell. We only know that in certain flowers which seemed no fairer than their mates the bees found a honey that is stored in unwasting cells, a perpetual delight.—From the Editor's Easy Chair. by George William Curtis, in Harper's

Magazine for July. of Islam or of Scotland, according as the eternal tone sounded in their ears. And so, too, individuals make believe to fill the brief hour with light and song, and try to forget that they were born and have to die. Or they turn away from the music and the mirth, and wrestle drearily with the destiny of death and hereafter, forgetting meanwhile that they might live. But from the book of Job to In Memoriam, humanity is only a rock around which surge the waters hung about thick and dark with the

shadow of destiny.

The true significance of the problem is not as it questions the darkness, but as it relates to the light. Death reveals no secrets, but life puts us riddles which we must solve or perish. Even religiou bears out the justice of this view of the problem, the true reading of which is not "What shall become of me when I am dead?" but. "What does this life mean to me?" Even where he finds a mean to me?" Even where he finds a new and stronger life accruing to him from a belief in the supernatural, he still must begin with the facts around him, and translate his divine faith to meet the issues of human affairs. These two sides together form the model on whose obverse may be traced sprigs of flowers, implements of toil, and weapons of battle, and at the foot a skull and In the early sixties there appeared in bones, but on the reverse there is writ-

of a nation do we find the two sides so absolutely and irreconcilably dissever-ed, as in the antagonism of parties which reft asunder English life in the which reft asunder English life in the early part and middle of the seven teenth century—the one party lightly smiling on the flower-sprigs and the battle-gear, the other too darkly pondiction, and I am certain that, were my dering the hieroglyphic. Cavalier and humorous characters to meet yours. Puritan may be taken as in a sense repmine would be made quite uncomfortral and its supernatural. Their opposi- H. Finney, and Sam Weller would be "Parnassien! Va!"

One of these Parnassiens was Coppee.
At the time spoken of he had a small clerkship in the War Office, receiving a small salary, by which he ken legalactic and patheres on the one side and soribes.

H. Finney, and Sam Weller would be turned out of her kitchen. I believe I to presents only a partial phase of the profounder problem. To Chilling, and out of her kitchen. I believe I turned The Puritans early betrayed an anta

new books mainly by the notices in the newspapers and the magazines. But the diversity of intelligence and qualification for the discharge of this office are as great almost as the number of newspapers.

In the older day the reviews of the Francis Post for which Mr. Bryant Who transgress to live bappily on earth

to all in the words of Jesus of Nazareth: "God sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust." The Talmudic peculiar form of thought cannot be better illustrated than by its presentation of the same truth: "The gift of rain is so far better than the revivilication of the dead, since the latter benefits only the righteous, whereas the former benefits both the righteous and the wicked."—

the two gentlemen were sulting over their wice, when X, proposed that they should join the ladies. Upon which Thackeray asked: "What do the ladies care for two broken-nosed old fellows like us?" It is said that X, had no reference their wice, when X, proposed that they should join the ladies. Upon which Thackeray asked: "What do the ladies care for two broken-nosed old fellows and the revisite of their wice, when X, proposed that they should join the ladies. Upon which Thackeray asked: "What do the ladies care for two broken-nosed old fellows and out the ladies. Upon which Thackeray asked: "What do the ladies care for two broken-nosed old fellows and Queries."

LITERARY NOTES. both the righteous and the wicked.' The Gentleman's Magazine.

WORDSWORTH AND SOUTHEY. "Wordsworth." Mrs. Stanger used to say, "would fling his cloak and things round him as if he didn't care whether they fitted him or not, and hardly ever seemed to give a thought to his dress; but Southey was prim and spruce and neat from head to toe—cravat spotless, and coat, however old, neatly fitting and carefully brushed; a man of order

every inch of him.'
Once she most amusingly, but quite good-naturedly, spoke of the different way in which the Greta Hall and Rydal Mount breakfast was got through. Here the poet talked and was waited or hand and foot as a matter of course

The toast was spread, the cream was poured into the tea, the note-book was near, and the women, with love and devotion unparalleled, hovered as it were in continual attendance-of their own wants oblivious. There no one POETS AND PURITANS.

However history may change its countenance, the one problem which is the heart of it remains everlasingly the same. Through all thought and action, all civilization and life, in every age, there beats the sombre monotone plays are the same and such coaxing, it was as pretty as ends to think about the bard; he seemed to think about all—the aunt.

> he vest-tape days was heavy upon her. the vest-tape days was neavy upon as:
> I suspect as a child she would no more
> have jumped upon Wordsworth's knees
> than on the King's. But on the genial
> knees of Southey, of course, she had clambered Southey's knees were the common property of all the children of growth of the drama up to Shakes Greta Bank or Greta Hall; and what a

with a smile, "I remember as a little girl thinking that Southey when he rose from the table was never going to finish getting up."—The Cornhill

merean sighs.]
Sir Walter—I also had that ambition. Thackeray—Do you even find Mr. duction touching the origin, growth, Pickwick's humor offensive nowadays? and decadence of the Children's Com-Romancist—To treat a character with panies)." humor is to left him from his pedestal

to the earth.
Eismereau-We have no patience with humor. In these days of anxious thought bumor scems a trivial thing. The world has grown sadder since your Perhaps nowhere else in the history time, and we novelists of to-day begin to a nation do we find the two sides so where you left off. Were I to write a continuation of "The Pickwick Papers" I could not treat the subject as Mr. Dickens did; I really could not.

home a cheery and charming abode, much frequenced by all interesting

American-Ah! they never

called for. His object is never dimmed by elaboration, nor his sentiment weakened by metaphor. Simple, and therefore cogent, his motives are definite. And knowing well what he has to say, with no hesitation as to the effect he can achieve, his workmanship is perfect.
This estimate of Coppee is intended to apply to his poems alone, and not to his tales or dramas.—Merry England.

CKITICS AND CRITICISM.

In this day of universal newspaper and magazine reading what is called criticism is in general an advertisement rather than a candid and sympathetic account of the purpose of the book, and the degree in which the purpose is attained. Still less is it an award of fame. Except for the notice in the newspaper, but a very small part of the public would hear of the publication of the book. The managers of reading clubs, perhaps, peruse the publication of the book. The managers of reading clubs, perhaps, peruse the publication of the book. The managers of reading clubs, perhaps, peruse the publication of the book. The managers of reading clubs, perhaps, peruse the publication of the book. The managers of reading clubs, perhaps, peruse the publication of the book and in the newspaper, but a very small part of the public would hear of the publication of the book, and the degree in which the purpose of the book and the degree in which the purpose of the fall that the publication of the book. The managers of reading clubs, perhaps, peruse the publication of the book and the degree in which the purpose of the publication of the book and the degree in which the purpose of the publication of the book and the degree in which the purpose of the publication of the book and the degree in which the purpose of the publication of the book and the degree in which the purpose of the publication of the book and the degree in which the purpose of the publication of the book and the degree in which the purpose of the publication of the publicati all that he actually wrote during these nearly forty years, forty or sixty print-

THACKERAY'S NOSE.

"I have slways believed," writes Sir William Fraser, "that Thackeray's nose was broken in a fight at Charterhouse, by Venables, Q. C., lately deceased. Unless I am mistaken, this was told me Unless I am mistaken, this was told me by the person who introduced me to Thackeray. Mr. Venables was a member of the Society of Dilettanti, and I often sat next to him. On at least one occasion I alluded to the fact, and he certainly did not deny it. However, this may not have been the case. My informant added that the 'Dame,' as we called them at Eton, ran up and said

the two gentlemen were sitting over their wine, when X. proposed that they should join the ladies. Upon which Thackeray asked: "What do the ladies

The quick response of men to Bible The quick response of men to Bible teaching, which is noble and simtle rather than doctrinal, is shown in the remarkable popularity of Professor Drummond's beautiful sermon on "The Greatest Thing in the World." More than 120,000 copies in English have been circulated, and it has been translated into various other languages. No modern man has given a more power-

modern man has given a more power-ful lesson in Christian living and the meaning of the Master's teaching. Dr. Smiles says: "I never studied the art of composition. I read a multitude of the best books, and from that I sup-pose I learned to compase."

pose I learned to compose."

George Macdonald observes: "If a man has anything to say he will manage to say 12; if he has nothing to com-municate, there is no reason why he should have a good style any more than be should have a good purse without any money, or a good scabbard without any sword. For my part I always scorned

the very idea of forming a style." Before Stanley left London on his last expedition Sir John Pender gave him a copy of Burns' poems. Sir John in re-cently writing to Mr. Bry e. says:
"When I met Stanley in Egypt in the
spring I had not been in conversation

the poems."
The Snakespeare Society of New York, will immediately begin the publication of a "Second Series." to consist of unexpurgated reprints of the old English miracle plays, mysteries. Greta Bank or Greta Hall; and what a length of knee it was!

"Dear Sir." Mrs. Stanger would say with a smile. "I remember as a little girl thinking that Southey when he girl thinking that Southey when he girl thinking that southey when he solves from the table was never going to scholarly and attractive style of the Bankside Shakespeare. Two hundred and fifty copies only of this series will be printed, and the type PLACING DICKENS.

Dickens—I wrote for a wide public ume of the series will be "Iucke Dryms" Dickens—I wrote for a wide public [stylist sighs.] whom I loved [realist cighs.] I loved my characters. too, [American sighs.] they seemed so real to me, [romancist sighs.] and so I liked to leave them happy. I believe I want cel to see the whole world happy. [Elsmierean sighs.]

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> Some juventle efforts of Browning's which were lately sold in London, were accompanied by this letter from his

"He has not the slightest suspicion that any of his very juvenile perform-ances are in existence. I have several of the originals by me. They are all

extemporaneous productions, nor has any one a single alteration. There was one amongst them. 'On Bonaparce,' re-markably beautiful, and had I not seen it in his own handwriting I never would have believed it to have been the production of a child. It is destroyed." Mr. Robert Barrett Browning has given the MSS, of his father's poems to Balliol College. It is thought that Mr. Browning is settled for life in his Venetian palace. He likes the climate,

and his American wife has made his

mine.

Diekens—But if I am not a realist. chusetts Historical Society, Dr. Samuel chief end, its regardlessness of exalted motive, except when the war-note sounds, and then a thrill of bravery leaps into words eloquent of the ideal soldier:—MacMillan's Magazine.

FRAGMENTS FROM THE TALMUD.
Humanity to animals it is one of England's glories to have enshrined in the poetry of Wordsworth. It vitalizes the religions of India. That it, also, shope in the religion from whence